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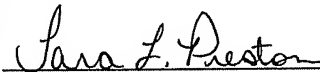
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 16, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are described on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Appendices A & B**, including a substitute specification and marked-up specification, follow page 9 of this paper.